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LETTER DATED 13 MAY 1998 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF INDIA ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL OF THE CONFERENCE TRANSMITTING A PRESS STATEMENT ISSUED IN NEW DELHI ON 13 MAY

I have the honour to enclose a Press Statement issued in New Delhi on 13 May, 1998. (see enclosure)

I would request that the enclosure may kindly be included as an addendum to the Press Statement dated 11 May, 1998 which I had the honour to request be issued as an official document of the CD vide my letter of 11th May, 1998.

(Signed) Savitri Kunadi
Ambassador

PRESS STATEMENT

In continuation of the planned programme of nuclear tests begun on the 11th of May, two more sub-kiloton nuclear tests were carried out at Pokharan range at 12.21 PM on the 13th of May 1998. The tests have been carried out to generate additional data for improved computer simulation of designs and for attaining the capability to carry out subcritical experiments, if considered necessary. The tests were fully contained with no release of radioactivity into the atmosphere.

This completes the planned series of underground tests.

Government of India reiterates the offer to consider adhering to some of the undertakings in the CTBT, in the framework of the proposal in its statement of the 11th of May, 1998.

New Delhi
May 13, 1998